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Maine WQS Work Group,

This morning, Alex Dunn, David Fotouhi, Anna Wildeman (all copied here) and I discussed next steps in the Maine WQS litigation and process over the short and slightly longer terms. **We reached agreement on the following path forward that affects the Thursday calls of this group.**

Over the next two weeks we will complete our report to the court. This will not require the full group participation. Instead, a smaller group of the attorneys will work with DOJ to ready the filing.

Over the next two months a small Region 1 technical team will work with Maine DEP technical staff on a potential new WQS submission. During this time, this Work Group will not hold weekly calls. As we discussed last week, members of the group may be asked to participate or provide input into the Region 1 technical effort.

After we understand how progress is going in Region 1, around March of next year, members of this team will be part of an effort to outline how EPA's past decisions regarding Designated Uses will need to be addressed legally and procedurally.

In short, Thursday is our final call, and let's plan on a group check-in February. I'll work with Jennifer to cancel the recurring calendar invitation.

Thanks to everyone for their hard work.

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